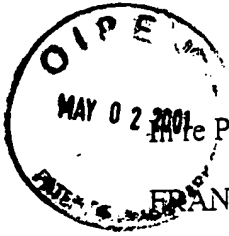


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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Official Action dated April 20, 2000, a terminal disclaimer is attached hereto. This addresses and renders moot the obviousness-type double patenting rejection over commonly-owned '433 patent. Thus, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

In addition, it is noted that applicant has not received a signed-off version of the form 1449s submitted with the two Information Disclosure Statements which have been filed in connection with this case. Thus, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner acknowledge receipt of those two Information Disclosure Statements.

Respectfully submitted,

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